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Memorandum for: Chief, Management

Subject: Manpower Studies

1. Col. White and Mr. Kirkpatrick have agreed that I should forward to you for action a number of documents we have been receiving recently from the Subcommittee on Manpower Utilization and Departmental Personnel Management of the House Committee on Post Office & Civil Service.

2. Attached hereto are an accumulation of documents forwarded to the Agency by the Subcommittee since last October. You will note that the first major request, in the letter of 14 October 1955 from Chairman Murray, has been answered through a series of letters, the latest under date of 9 February 1956. Col. White and I have also given Mr. Belen, Chief Counsel of the Committee, an oral presentation of our manpower problems. You will note that the Dulles letter of 9 February indicates a willingness to review the final classified report on our recent manpower survey either with Chairman Murray or with the Committee Counsel, Mr. Belen.

3. We have decided not to answer the letter of 1 March 1956 from Chairman Davis of the Subcommittee, inasmuch as we have previously been excused from making "Monthly Manpower Progress Reports" to the Committee, for security reasons. I have recently been informed, however, by the Chief Counsel of the Committee that at some date in the near future the Committee or its staff will want to pursue with the Agency in some detail the steps which it is taking to improve its manpower management, and I believe that Col. White and Mr. Kirkpatrick would like to feel that you are fully familiar with the views and reports of the Committee before any such conferences take place. You will note that all correspondence from the Committee emphasizes the need for "continuing studies" on the manpower problem.

4. I would suggest as a first step that you glance over these documents after which you and I might have a session with Messrs. White and Kirkpatrick on any further actions the Agency should take.

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